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For. **SEMICONDUCTOR LASER DEVICE AND METHOD OF MANUFACTURING
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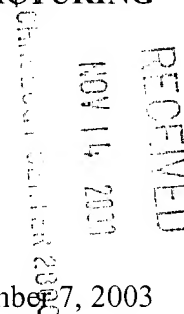
Sir:

The attention of the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby directed to the documents listed on the attached Form PTO-1449. One copy of each of these documents is attached. A copy of the First Office Action issued by The Patent Office of The State Intellectual Property Office Of The Peoples's Republic Of China dated August 8, 2003 is also attached.

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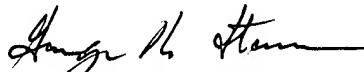


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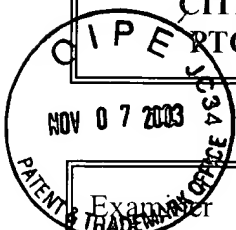
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